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SUBJ: 1971 ROBBERY AND HOMICIDE CASE AT SANGLEY POINT

1. PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAS INQUIRED AS TO WHAT ASSISTANCE THE US NAVY WILL PROVIDE IN MAKING CERTAIN WITNESSES AVAILABLE FOR THE TRIAL OF THE DEFENDENTS INVOLVED IN THE BANK ROBBERY AND HOMICIDE CASE THAT OCCURRED AT SANGLEY POINT IN 1971 IN WHICH A US MARINE OFFICER WAS KILLED.

2. THIS CASE HAS A VERY COLORFUL AND PROLONGED HISTORY AND IT IS ASSUMED THAT NISO HAS A COMPLETE FILE. APPROXIMATELY 18 MONTHS AGO, AT REQUEST OF US NAVY AUTHORITIES, THE US PANEL TO US/RP CRIMINAL JURISDICTION IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE RECEIVED AN UPDATED BRIEFING BY FISCAL HANDLING CASE. US PANEL ASSURED FISCAL OF CONTINUING US INTEREST AND COOPERATION. UNFORTUNATELY, FISCAL HAD A STROKE AND NOTHING MORE WAS HEARD CONCERNING CASE UNTIL LATEST APPROACH BY DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

3. TRIAL IS PRESENTLY SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 13, 20 AND 26, 1977 BEFORE THE COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE,
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CAVITE, BRANCH II. THE FOLLOWING WITNESSES HAVE BEEN REQUESTED WITH LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF SANGLEY POINT, CAVITE: CPL. ROBERT GILMAN, PFC. JOH ELLIOT, COL. PARA GUADALUPE, COL. PAUL LUCE, ANTONIO C. LAFORTEZA, MER DAYOT, AND DR. GEORGE CASTER.

4. REQUEST THE US NAVAL AUTHORITIES DETERMINE

PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF THE ABOVE-NAMED WITNESSES
AND FEASIBILITY OF RETURNING THEM TO THE PHILIPPINES
TO TESTIFY. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT WHEN THIS INFOR-
MATION AVAILABLE, EVERGISTO D. GABRIEL, CITY FISCAL,
CAVITE CITY BE CONTACTED AND EMBASSY BE ADVISED.
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